



# West Irondequoit Central School District

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Dear West Irondequoit Families,

I wanted to share with you that we have two new positive COVID-19 student cases, one at Dake Junior High School and the other at Rogers Middle School. At this time, the Monroe County Department of Public Health (MCDPH) has completed its contact tracing and determined that the students contracted the virus outside of school. Neither student has been on campus since the last full week of September.

If the MCDPH did not contact you or your child, there is no risk of exposure. As you know per federal privacy laws, we cannot disclose more details or personally identifiable information about this or other COVID-19 cases.

Last week, the NYS Department of Health provided updated guidance on how attendance should be handled for staff and students. These **easy-to-follow flowcharts are important for parents and guardians** to help clarify the process and illustrate how decisions are made to quarantine or allow re-entry to school. For your reference you can find them on our COVID-19 Resources page: [http://bit.ly/COVID\\_Resources\\_WI](http://bit.ly/COVID_Resources_WI)

As the weather continues to cool, I cannot stress enough how important it is to apply COVID-19 safety precautions when gathering indoors or in the community. Please limit your gatherings to the recommendations from the [CDC on gatherings and community events](#) and make sure to practice physical distancing and hand hygiene and wear face coverings. Regardless of whether you're gathering with extended family or friends, we must remain committed to these safeguards. Together, we share the responsibility to protect our schools from community-based COVID-19 infections. Your child(ren)'s education depends on it.

In partnership,

Aaron R. Johnson, Ed. D  
Superintendent of Schools